--- 1/4th Pound - Blue - “Series of 1897” - 290 x 20 mm ---

The catalogue lists the “Series of 1897” recess printed 1/4th pound blue strip as follows:

RP-723 - 1/4th pound, blue, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal* mesh wove, with 4½ mm. red controls - 290 x 20 mm

The control numbering was a repeating cycle from **000001** to **9999999**. Thus, maintaining a consecutive control listing serves only to provide a measure of the relative scarcity of a particular strip. There is no way to tell if, and how many times ABN repeated the control numbering cycle. Extant unused strips are mainly late date *remnants* which became available when the strips were declared to be obsolete.

Since both the *control-free* and the *production* copies are found on *horizonta*l mesh wove paper, and since all of the copies measure 290 x 20 mm - I feel that all were printed by *rotary press*.

RP-723n - 1/4th pound, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal mesh* wove, without control numbering
A top strip from Plate No. 1 - 290 x 20 mm

RP-723n - 1/4th pound, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal mesh* wove, without control numbering - 290 x 20 mm

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RP-723n - 1/4th pound, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal mesh* wove, without control numbering
Stamped **Registered** and **CANCELLED** in violet ink - 290 x 20 mm

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The collection ***does not contain*** a copy of the *coarse roulette* 1/4th pound blue strip on *horizontal mesh* wove, stamped **CANCELLED** in 3 mm. Gothic letters. **WANTED!**

RP-723 - 1/4th pound, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal* mesh wove, control number **1556017**,
A broken strip used to band cigars, roller cancelled **CUSTOMS / CIGARS / HALIFAX**

--- 1/4th Pound - Blue - “Series of 1897” - 290 x 20 mm. ---

--- Recess printed by *rotary press* on *horizontal* mesh wove - 4½ mm. *red controls* - scanned at 55% scale ---

--- *coarse roulette* - 23 mm. imprint “AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO. OTTAWA” **---**

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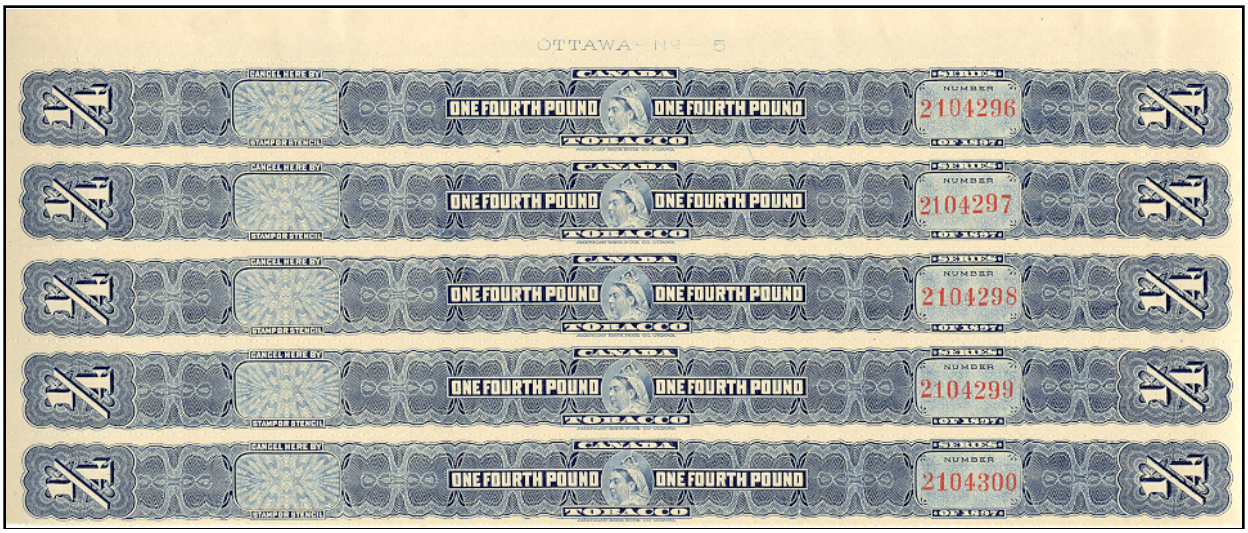
RP-723 - 1/4th pound, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal* mesh wove, control numbers **1406516-17**,
Roller cancelled CUSTOMS / TOBACCO / Hamilton in violet ink - a top pair from Plate No. 5

1400456-57★	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove top two copies from Plate No. 4
1405616-17★	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove, rollered CUSTOMS / TOBACCO / Hamilton top two copies from Plate No. 5
1556017★	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove, a glued band, roller cancelled CUSTOMS / CIGARS / HALIFAX
1888020	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104014★	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104028★	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104088	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104119	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104169	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104216	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104228★	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104275	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104279★	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104285	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104293	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104296-00★	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove top five strips from Plate No. 5
2104306	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104320	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104329	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104334	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104341	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104385	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104395	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104463	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
2104479	RP-723	1/4th pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove

These latter are remnant strips, many taken from eBay.



RP-723 - 1/4th pound, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal mesh* wove, control numbers **2104296-300**,
The top five copies of a pane from Plate No. 5 - 290 x 20 mm

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